

FREE PHONE CONSULT WITH A DOG TRAINER!

CERTIFIED/POSITIVE-REINFORCEMENT DOG TRAINERS & BEHAVIOR CONSULTANTS OFFERING A FREE 15-MINUTE PHONE CONSULTATION FOR FOSTER, RESCUE AND NEWLY ADOPTED SHELTER DOGS (Sacramento and Surrounding Areas):

Please note: The trainers listed below are in alphabetical order. Please choose from anywhere on the list depending on specialty, location, etc. (Credentials key at bottom of Page 3.)

Anna The Dog Trainer - Anna Morey

Certifications/Education: KPA-CTP, CPDT-KA; ABC-DT, AKC CGC Evaluator
Offers Privates and group classes, basic obedience, leash reactivity, Canine Good Citizen

Areas Served: El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento Counties

Website: www.annathedogtrainer.com

Phone: 415-819-9451

Email: anna@annathedogtrainer.com

Canefida - Heidi Hurdy

Certifications/Education: CPDT-KA, CBCC-KA, FPPE, FFPC, Aggression in Dogs Master Course. Also specializes in helping new/expecting parents and their dogs and fear free. Offers private consults and group classes - puppy and adult

Areas Served: Sacramento, CA or remotely via Zoom

Website: www.canefida.com

Phone: 916-235-3144

Email: woof@canefida.com

Canine Behavior Consultant - Ann King

Certifications/Education: ABC, CCPDT, CBCC-KA

Offers private sessions and PuppySMART classes

Areas Served: El Dorado Hills, Placerville (and areas in between)

Website: www.annkingdogbehavior.com

Phone: 916-221-8833

Email: ann@annkingdogbehavior.com

Daack Pack Dog Training - Allison Daack, Owner/Trainer

Training Team: **Besty Payne; Melissa-Lynn Stamm; Marie Turner-Baile**

Team Certifications/Education: CPDT-KA, LLA graduate, Fear Free Animal Trainer

Specializes in fearful and aggressive behaviors, leash reactivity, separation anxiety, working with dog and cat relationships... Private Training, Day Training

Areas Served: Sacramento and Surrounding Areas

Website: www.daackpack.com

Phone: 916-287-3230

Email: bark@daackpack.com

DogKind Training - Kelly Lee, Rachele Wurr, Rachele Gagnon

Certifications/Education:

Kelly Lee: CTC; BS Zoology; PhD Ecology & Evolutionary Biology; MA (in progress)
Applied Behavior Analysis.

Rachele Wurr: BS Animal Science

Rachele Gagnon: BS Animal Biology; Dog Foster Coordinator, Yolo SPCA

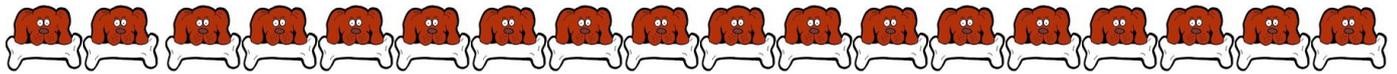
Specializing in: Fearful and anxious dogs

Areas Served: Anywhere (online)

Website: www.dogkindtraining.com

Phone (request a call link): www.dogkindtraining.com/request-call

Email: admin@dogkindtraining.com



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Insight Dog Training and Behavior Consulting - Jodi Cassell

Certifications/Education: MS, FFCP, [CTC](#), [CBCC-KA](#), Aggression in Dogs Master Course
Specialties: Fearful & aggressive behaviors, reactivity, separation anxiety and socializing and training adolescent puppies
Areas Served: Sacramento and Surrounding Areas
Website: www.insightdogtraining.com
Phone: 916-216-2487 (phone and text)
Email: jodi@insightdogtraining.com

Karuna K9 - Marieka Schrader

Certifications/Education: KPA-CTP
Focuses on providing dog guardians with necessary tools through force-free training. Privates and day training - puppies and adults
Areas Served: Davis, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Sac, West Sac, Woodland, Natomas
Website: www.karunak9.com
Phone: 916-400-9773
Email: Marieka@karunak9.com

Lab and Leo Dog Training - Chloe MacBean

Certifications/Education: CPDT-KA, ADB-CCBC, CSAT, FDM, FFCP Certified
Specializing in separation anxiety cases. Offers privates and group classes.
Areas Served: Greater Sacramento
Website: www.labandleo.com
Phone: 707-481-4524
Email: chloe@labandleo.com

Midtown Mutts - Lindsay Prout, Cassi Jo Perez and Kelsey Kaine

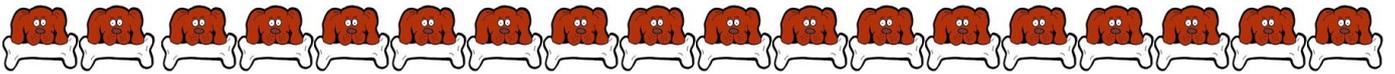
Certifications/Education:
Cassi Jo Perez - KPA-CTP; VSA-CDT **Kelsey Kaine** - VSA-CDT
Lindsay Prout - Applied Animal Behavior Certification Program
Offers Private, Day, Group Classes and Remote Training
Areas Served: Sacramento area
Website: www.midtownmutts.com/dog-training/
Phone: 916-600-3259
Email: admin@midtownmutts.com

Obedient Pups - Pam Francis-Tuss

Certifications/Education: CPDT-KA, FFCP
Areas Served: Sacramento, CA and surrounding areas
Specializing in: Puppies up to 2 years - Private Sessions, Video Sessions
Website: www.obedientpups.com
Phone: 916-601-3688
Email: Pam@obedientpups.com

Paws-a-tive Dog Training - Jennifer Davidson

Certifications/Education: CGC Evaluator, Association of Force Free Professionals - Susan Friedman's How Behavior Works-Living and Learning with Animals Course
Areas Served: Sacramento & Surrounding Areas, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, El Dorado Hills
Website: www.smpawsativedogtraining.wordpress.com
Phone: 650-430-5357
Email: JDavidson0516@gmail.com



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PetSmart Natomas -Jamie Hulan

Certifications/Education: CPDT-KA; AKC Approved Evaluator for STAR Puppy, CGC; certificate off-leash play instructor-evaluator; certificate First Aid and CPR from PetTech.

Specializing in young pups through adults. No aggression or separation anxiety cases.

Website: www.petsmart.com

Phone: 916-928-0314, Ext 4

Sacramento SPCA has free dog/cat online behavior helpline forms and provides various other behavior resources www.sspca.org/helpline (Click on SSPCA links or copy into your browser.)

Sac SPCA Free Behavior Helpline Form - DOGS www.sspca.org/pod/help-line-form-dogs

Sac SPCA Free Behavior Helpline Form - CATS www.sspca.org/pod/help-line-form-cats

Sacramento SPCA's various helpful **articles** surrounding many common issues encountered with **newly-adopted dogs and cats** can be found in their **Behavior Resource**

Library: **DOGS** www.sspca.org/dog-behavior **CATS** www.sspca.org/cat-behavior

The Right Steps - Cindy Smith

Certifications/Education: CNWI **Areas Served:** Greater Sacramento/Fair Oaks Classes

Specializing in: Puppy Classes in Fair Oaks, Privates and K9 Nose Work Classes

Website: www.therightsteps.com

Phone: 916-966-6883

Email: therightsteps@comcast.net

Understanding Dog Training - Kayla Block

Certifications/Education: MA, ADT, PPG-FFDT, ADT's Aggression in Dogs Course.

Specialized knowledge of dogs & kids; dog reactivity; dog aggression; fearful dog problems

Areas Served: Sacramento and Surrounding Areas - Sacramento, Placer, El Dorado

Website: www.understandingdogtraining.com

Phone: <https://www.understandingdogtraining.com/get-help/>

Email: Understandingdogtraining@gmail.com

CREDENTIALS KEY:

CERTIFICATIONS:

ABC-DT - Animal Behavior College - Dog Trainer

ADB-CCBC - (Trish King's) Academy of Dog Behavior aka Canine Behavior Associates - Certified Canine Behavior Counselor

Aggression in Dogs Master Course Graduate (through Michael Shikashio)

CTC - Certificate in Training and Counseling (through Academy for Dog Trainers)

CPDT-KA - Certified Professional Dog Trainer - Knowledge Assessed (through CCPDT)

CBCC-KA - Certified Behavior Consultant Canine - Knowledge Assessed (through CCPDT)

CGC Evaluator - Canine Good Citizen Evaluator [through American Kennel Club (AKC)]

CNWI - Certified Nose Work Instructor

CSAT - Certified Separation Anxiety Trainer (through Malena DeMartini)

FDC - Family Dog Mediator (Kim Brophy's L.E.G.S.® Course)

FFCP - Fear Free Certified Professional (through Fear Free Pets)

FPPE - Family Paws Parent Educator (for new and expecting parents and their dogs)

KPA-CTP - Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner

LLA- Susan Friedman's Living and Learning With Animals

VSA-CDT - Victoria Stillwell Academy - Certified Dog Trainer

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS:

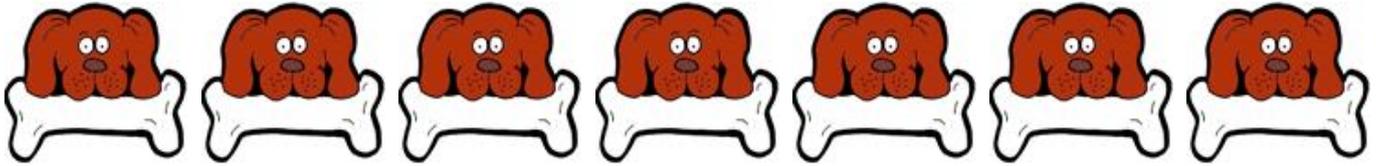
APDT - Association of Professional Dog trainers (not a certifying organization)

CCPDT - Certified Council for Professional Dog Trainers

PPG - Pet Professional Guild

IAABC - International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants

ALL TRAINERS ON THIS LIST SUBSCRIBE TO A POSITIVE-REINFORCEMENT PHILOSOPHY!



WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A QUALIFIED DOG TRAINER

Avoid people whose primary methods focus on punishment. Instead, look for a trainer who uses positive-enforcement training methods. If a trainer's recommendations involve choking, hitting or slapping your pet, confinement or isolation, this indicates little or no understanding of animal behavior. Also question the use of prong, choke and shock collars and/or any other pain-induced training methods. "Alpha" and "Dominance" are a couple of red-flag words used regularly by many uneducated trainers.

Some of the above methods may **appear** to be working initially but often have negative long-term effects. Ask yourself whether you want your dog to respond to you out of a respectful and loving relationship or out of fear.

Ask to observe a potential trainer's obedience class. A good dog obedience trainer will exhibit good dog-handling skills and will welcome your observation. If the trainer you're observing doesn't exhibit these skills or refuses to permit you to observe, continue your search.

Avoid people who guarantee their work. Qualified behavior experts and trainers will always do their best for you but cannot guarantee outcomes. Animals are individuals who have their own minds, their own personalities and their own histories.

In general, question people who want to train your pet in your absence on their premises. Most behavior problems are a result of interactions between the animal, the owner and the environment. It may be helpful in some circumstances for the trainer to demonstrate for you while handling your dog, BUT giving your pet to someone else to "fix" in an outside environment rarely results in success once your dog has returned to its original environment. Owners should work with their dog and their trainer in concerning environments.

Don't hesitate to ask your potential trainer about his/her training methods, certifications, and continuing education experience. Many training methods which were considered acceptable in the field in the past have been found to be counterproductive methods.

Remember that dog training continues to be unregulated by any government entity and has no required curriculum. This basically means that anyone can call themselves a dog trainer; therefore, it is up to you to do your homework when choosing a qualified trainer.

If you are committed to working with your pet and find qualified people to help you, there is a good chance that you will successfully resolve your pet's problem behaviors.